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Applicant respectfully request, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, that the references listed on the attached PTO-1449 form, and previously cited in U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/436,317 entitled *Interconnecting Disengagable Flooring System*, filed November 8, 1999, now U.S. Patent No. 6,460,306, be considered and cited in the examination of the above-identified application. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(d), Applicants are only enclosing copies of the references that were not previously cited in the above-mentioned patent. Furthermore, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§1.97(g) and (h), no representation is made that the references are material to the patentability of the present application.

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